women workers in these States/U.Ts is very low: (ii) equal remuneration is ensured to men and women, without any discrimination.

**Formation of Advisory Committee on Employment Opportunities for Women**

2491. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that a Committee has been set up at the Centre to advise Government in providing increasing employment opportunities for women:

(b) if so, what concrete advice has been given by this Commitee;

(c) what are the names of the Members of the Committee; and

(d) what employment opportunities have been generated for women during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Committee has suggested various steps for improving the socio-economic and working conditions of women workers including encouragement of women's cooperatives implementation of skill development programmes, stricter enforcement of Equal Remuneration Act, etc.

(c) A statement is enclosed. *(See below)*

(d) ft is not possible to quantify the employment opportunitiess generated for women during the last three years. However, special programmes are being implemented for enhancing women's employment which include;

(i) Support to Training-cum-Employment Programme; (ii) Setting up of Employment and Income Generating-cum-Production Centre for women; (iii) Socio-economic Programmes for women, (iv) Women's Development Corporations; and (v) Development of women and children in Rural areas (DWCRA); (vi) skill development programmes. Employment opportunities for women have also been generated under JRY (Jawahar Rozgar Yojna) where 30% of the beneficiaries are to be women.

**Statement**

| Sl. No. | Name of the Member | |
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| 1. | Union Minister for Labour/Deputy Labour Minister. | Chairman |
| 2. | Secretary, Ministry of Labour. | Ex-officio Member |
| 3. | Joint Secretary, Ministry of Labour. | ,, |
| 4. | Joint Secretary, Department of Women and Child Development. | ,, |
| 5. | Adviser, Labour & Employment Division, Planning Commission. | ,, |
| 6. | Secretary, Labour Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh. | ,, |
| 7. | Secretary, Labour Department, Government of Assam. | ,, |
| 8. | Secretary, Labour Department, Union Territory of Delhi. | ,, |
| 9. | Shri Vijay G. Kalantri. | Non-Official Member |
| 10. | Dr. (Ms.) N. Hamsa. | ,, |
| 11. | Ms. Manjula Ray. | ,, |
| 12. | Mrs.Kamla Sinha. | ,, |
| 13. | Mr. C. N. Krishna. | ,, |
| 14. | Smt. Sunita V. Padoley. | ,, |
| 15. | Dr. Lotika Sarkar. | ,, |
| 16. | Ms. Jaya Arunachalam. | ,, |
| 17. | Ms. Meena Patel | ,, |
| 18. | Ms. Bratindi Jena. | ,, |
| 19. | Smt. Geeta Mukherjee. | ,, |
| 20. | Smt. Satya Bahin. | ,, |

**Proposed Amendment to Inter-State Migrant Workmen Act, 1979**

2492. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether the National Commission on Rural Labour have recommended certain amendments to the Inter-State Migrant Workmen (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1979;

(b) if so, what are these recommendations; and

(c) what is being done in this regard ?